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1. Between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 29 November 1952, individual swept-back jet fighters were observed conducting training flights over Trollenhagen airfield. At daytime during the first days in December, individual jet fighters practiced flying. In mid and late December, only a few individual flights were made by jet fighters and biplanes. All the flights observed were performed at altitudes up to 800 meters.¹
2. In mid-November, work was still in progress on the 2-meter-high board fence around the field.
3. In December, it was rumored in Neubrandenburg, that VP members were to be given flight training at Trollenhagen airfield. During the first third in December, an open vehicle with VPs who spoke German was observed at Neubrandenburg railroad station. These VPs wore flying suits similar to the padded uniforms of the Soviets. They wore collar patches on the uniforms. According to railroad employee, the vehicle and its occupants belonged to Trollenhagen airfield.²

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5. On 18, 24, and 28 November and on 4 December, air activity was observed at the field. On 4 December, take-offs and landings were conducted by planes including two with the Nos 219 and 228.¹

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1. Comment. It was previously reported that a training detachment of the fighter division in Puetnitz is stationed at Neubrandenburg airfield. On 3 November, a 64-axle train reportedly carried personnel and equipment from Dangarten to Neubrandenburg. It is not believed that an entire fighter regiment was transferred from Puetnitz to Neubrandenburg, but that only individual trainer aircraft are stationed in Neubrandenburg. The aircraft numbers 219 and 228 reported in paragraph 5 belong to type-29 planes which were previously observed in Finow, Lierz and Neuruppin.

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2. Comment. The rumor that VP pilots are being trained at Neubrandenburg airfield has not been confirmed. However, another rumor was reported previously, according to which VP pilots undergo training west of Stettin. The airfield west of Stettin can only be Neubrandenburg because no other suitable airfields are located in this area. It is known from previous reports, that former members of the German Air Force were trained in the U.S.S.R. in 1950 and then returned to East Germany. Since only initial flight training is conducted by the 1st VP Air Div in the Cottbus-Kamenz area, it is believed that the pilots who were formerly trained in the U.S.S.R. undergo advanced training on jet planes at another airfield. Definite information on advanced flying training of VPL's has so far not been received.

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